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Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center White Sands Test Facility P.O. Box 20 Las Cruces, NM 88004-0020



May 9, 2007

Reply to Attn of:

RA-E07-048

New Mexico Environment Department
Attn: Mr. Doug Hopinkah, Lead Inspector
Hazardous Waste Bureau, District 1
Compliance and Technical Assistance Program
5500 San Antonio Drive, NE
Albuquerque, NM 87109

Subject: NASA White Sands Test Facility (WSTF) Follow-Up Information Related to the May 1, 2007 Hazardous Waste Compliance Inspection

On May 1-2, 2007, the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) conducted an unannounced hazardous waste compliance inspection at the NASA White Sands Test Facility. During the outbrief meeting, a potential issue was identified with the LDR paperwork completed for manifest 3424568. On the LDR paperwork, columns 3 and 4 were marked appropriately for the D008 waste code, but columns 1 and 2 were not marked in the appropriate check boxes. Although the LDR check boxes were not marked correctly, the manifest, Clean Harbors profile documentation, and associated waste characterization information clearly indicated the D008 waste code was present.

NASA immediately contacted Clean Harbors to determine if there were any issues related to ensuring compliance with the appropriate LDR treatment standards for the D008 waste stream. The representative from the Clean Harbors Waste Profiling and Compliance Group informed NASA that the waste was appropriately treated as required by LDR treatment standards because the manifest itself, and the Clean Harbors profile, both clearly indicated the D008 waste code. Prior to treating any waste stream received at the Clean Harbors facility, the waste codes are entered into their tracking system using the manifest waste codes and the associated Clean Harbors profile information. As such, the waste was appropriately treated, even though the two check boxes were missed on the LDR paperwork. For information purposes, enclosed are copies of the Record of Call (ROC) detailing the conversation with Clean Harbors and an associated email between the WSTF Shipping Coordinator and the representative from the Clean Harbors Compliance Group. If you have any questions or comments concerning this submittal, or need any further supplemental information, please call me at 505–524–5733 or Tim Davis of my staff at 505–524–5024.

Original Signed By: Tim Dowis

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Environmental Program Manager

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## **RECORD OF CALL**

DATE: May 2, 2007	TIME: 1500 hrs.
CALLING PARTY	RECEIVING PARTY
NAME: Tom Hall	NAME: Sherman Monson
ORG.: North Wind	ORG.: Clean Harbors
PHONE: 505-524-5453	PHONE: 435 843-4855

SUBJECT: Manifest 3424568

**DISCUSSION: Status of LDR Notice** 

Contacted Mr. Sherman Monson of Clean Harbors Waste Profiling/Compliance Group. I informed Sherman that the accompanying LDR notice only included checks marks in columns 3 and 4 and that we had inadvertently omitted the check marks for columns 1 and 2 for the EPA Waste Coded D008. I informed Sherman that the D008 waste code was included on the manifest and Clean Harbors Profile CH117194. I asked Sherman if this was a compliance issue with respect to LDR treatment standards. Sherman informed me that as long as the waste code was on the manifest and the profile, Clean Harbors treated the waste coded with respect to LDR treatment standards.

cc: Tim Davis, Esmeralda Alvarez, Ray Spencer

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From: Hall, Tom A. (WSTF-1600)[LYNX] Sent: Wednesday, May 02, 2007 12:19 PM To: Spencer, Ray L. (WSTF-1620)[HON] Cc: Davis, Timothy J. (WSTF-RA)

Subject: FW: Manifest 3424568

Attachments: Clean Harbors\_RECCALL\_05\_02\_07.DOC

**From:** MONSON, SHERMAN F [mailto:monson.sherman@cleanharbors.com]

Sent: Wednesday, May 02, 2007 12:14 PM To: Hall, Tom A. (WSTF-1600)[LYNX]
Subject: RE: Manifest 3424568

That is good. Because when they receive the manifest, they enter those codes that are on the manifest.

Sherman F. Monson Customer Service Rep Tooele, Utah 84074 Phone 435-843-4855 Fax 435-843-5612

From: Hall, Tom A. (WSTF-1600)[LYNX] [mailto:tom.a.hall@nasa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, May 02, 2007 12:05 PM

To: MONSON, SHERMAN F Subject: Manifest 3424568

Sherman,

Per our conversation yesterday, I'm preparing a record of call (see attached). Could you please review the record of call to ensure that I have accurately described our conversation.

Thanks

Tom

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